

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1252

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A RESOLUTION to name a segment of State Route 138 in
Hardeman County in honor of the late A.E.
Smith, Sr., former Mayor of the City of Toone.

WHEREAS, from time to time, this General Assembly has named certain highways and bridges in honor of those outstanding citizens who during their lifetimes distinguished themselves as invaluable assets to their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, the late A.E. Smith, Sr., former Mayor of the City of Toone, was most assuredly one such outstanding public servant; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smith served with honor and distinction as the Mayor of the City of Toone; he was instrumental in effecting several improvements to the City's infrastructure, and it was because of his diligent campaigning that Kilgore, Inc. located its industry in Toone; and

WHEREAS, A.E. Smith, Sr. dedicated his life to public service and the betterment of his community throughout his illustrious tenure as Mayor; those fellow citizens who had the pleasure of knowing him were enriched by his countless endeavors on their behalf, as was the City of Toone and Hardeman County as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Smith was a highly respected member of his community, not only as an exemplary public servant, but also as a neighbor and friend; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Toone and the Hardeman County Commission have petitioned this General Assembly to name a segment of State Route 138 that passes through the City of Toone to honor Mayor Smith, and we most heartily concur with this excellent proposal to permanently commemorate the singular hard work and commitment of the late A.E. Smith, Sr., an exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that State Route 138 in Hardeman County from its intersection with State Route 100 to its intersection with State Route 18, such segment passing in part through the City of Toone, is hereby designated the "A.E. Smith, Sr. Memorial Highway" as a lasting tribute to an exemplary public servant and his life of purpose and accomplishment in service of humanity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable markers or to affix suitable signs designating such segment of State Route 138 in Hardeman County as the "A.E. Smith, Sr. Memorial Highway".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the erection of such signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if the federal highway administrator advises the commissioner of transportation in writing that the provisions of this resolution shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if Hardeman County, Tennessee or the City of Toone acting singly or jointly, either (1) remits the estimated cost of the erection of such signs to the Department of Transportation within one (1) year of the effective date of this resolution, or (2) manufactures and erects such signs pursuant to state and federal guidelines and as approved by the Department. If electing option (1), Hardeman County and/or the City of Toone, as appropriate, shall make payment of the estimated cost prior to any expenditure by the State for manufacture or installation of such signs. The Department shall return any unused portion of the estimated costs to Hardeman County and/or the City of Toone, as appropriate, within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, Hardeman County and/or the City of Toone, as appropriate, shall remit an amount equal to the difference in such costs to the Department within thirty (30) days of receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a suitable copy of this resolution be prepared and transmitted to the Hardeman County Commission for presentation to Mayor Smith's family as a memento of this designation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an enrolled copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of Transportation.